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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 14 as follows:

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--14. (Amended) A switch as claimed in claim 1, wherein the data are received by said input ports and transmitted by said output ports as data exchange units, the data exchange units for packet data comprise routing information, the switching of a data exchange unit from a respective input port to a respective output port is controlled by a stored switch configuration, said stored switch configuration uses the routing information of data exchange units for packet data to determine respective output ports to switch the data exchange units.--